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The Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Reply Comments in regards to LightSquared:
DA 12-1863, IB Docket No. 12-340; RM-11683

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit reply comments in support of LightSquared's License Modification Application. I represent a small business in California Missouri and have taken a real interest in the proceedings regarding this company's attempt to invest billions into the economy while providing a valuable technology to Americans everywhere.

Many parts of Missouri have few options for mobile broadband access. I believe that LightSquared could change that and thus I want to urge the Commission to make a quick decision and grant the company's request to modify its license.

The continued rapid growth of mobile data—which has doubled each year from 2008-2011—depends on the availability of both 1) spectrum to operate and 2) capital expenditures to build out a network. LightSquared has both.

If LightSquared is denied the opportunity to deploy its network, major economic and consumer benefits will be lost. LightSquared's proposed wireless broadband network will produce an estimated \$12 billion in value to the economy and potentially 10 times that amount—\$120 billion—in benefits to consumers.

To be perfectly honest, I think it is generous that LightSquared has offered to give up its rights to use of its spectrum out of concern for interference issues with GPS devices. Now GPS receivers will have a sizeable buffer zone to protect from any outside interference.

In exchange, LightSquared is asking that it co-exist with the federal government on alternate spectrum so that it can launch its network. This seems like a reasonable compromise and would not then jeopardize the company's investment into our economy.

Again, I hope that the FCC will move with haste. I sincerely appreciate your consideration.

Best regards,



Paul Bloch

cc: US Senator Blunt
US Senator Claire McCaskill